Gallatin County Planning Board Infrastructure Committee Water and Wastewater Subcommittee Record of Meeting: May 11, 2009

Members present: C.B. Dormire (Subcommittee Chair), Gail Richardson, Don Seifert, Kerry White; Warren Vaughan, County Planning Department. Guests: Tony Kolnick (arrived at 4:50 pm).

- 1. Call to Order: 4:00 p.m.
- **2. Approval of April 27, 2009 Minutes:** Approved with the following amendment: first sentence of Section 4 struck: "A laborious discussion of specific MCA code ensued...".
- 3. **Discussion of Legal Matters Relevant to Subcommittee Task:** A continued examination of specific MCA code ensued to learn the power retained by the Planning Board to implement their efforts.

General discussion of public utility within the MCA i.e easements, authority, relationship to Board of Health, etc, as well as the political feasibility of implementation. Stautes discussed are:

- 76-5-121;
- 76-5-311;7-13-4518;
- 52-2-116;76-3-604;
- 76-4-104.

The Board also had general discussion about the power/ability of the County to run its own wastewater plant.

- **4. Public Comment.** Tony Kolnick discussed various points related to planning, wastewater, and the Four Corners Water and Sewer District. What happens if the existing 4C district folds? If Utility Solutions goes bankrupt? Tony also states that a significant percentage of septic systems in the valley meet Environmental Health's definition of "obsolete system".
- **5. Member Reports:** None discussed.
- **6. Next meeting Date and Agenda:** A date for the next meeting was not established.
- 7. Other Business: None discussed.
- **8. Adjourn**: 6:00 p.m.